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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT UNDER 35 U.S.C. 121

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed July 31, 2003, Applicants hereby elect the following:

Species A: Polymer latex having copolymer (claims 1-19) and Sub-species A1: Formula II (claims 2, 4-6, 18 and 19).

With regards to a single disclosed species Applicant elects Formula II wherein R1, R2 and R3 are each methyl which reads on claim 2.

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